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To whom it may concern:

The FDA is requesting public comments on reducing egg borne diseases. The solution is very simple. The FDA should prohibit the practice of forced molting as it has been scientifically shown to promote disease by destroying the starving hens' immune systems. The FDA was petitioned in April of 98 to ban forced molting, but nothing has been done. This cruel practice which causes infectious diseases in hens, eggs, and the consumers of eggs should be stopped immediately.

Sincerely,

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